

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**The Maryland Department of Natural Resources**  
**Fishing and Boating Services**  
***Partial Closure of Public Shellfish Fishery Area 70 (Durdin) — Effective 11/5/18***

The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 08.02.04.11E, announces that a portion of Public Shellfish Fishery Area (PSFA) 70 will be closed to all shellfish harvest effective November 5, 2018. The closure was requested by the Kent County oyster committees to protect seed planted by the county until the site is suitable for reopening. The closed area is described below and will be marked by buoys. PSFAs are described in “Public Shellfish Fishery Areas of the Chesapeake Bay and Its Tidal Tributaries (November 2016)”, which is incorporated by reference in COMAR 08.02.04.17.

For any questions or comments contact Frank Marengi, Shellfish Division, at 410-260-8302.

Durdin (PSFA 70 (NOB 5-11): Chester River)

The section of PSFA 70 being closed is: All the waters of the Chester River southeast of Durdin Creek enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 39°1.455' N, and Long. 76°11.747' W; then running 297° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.528' N, and Long. 76°11.928' W; then running 329° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.619' N, and Long. 76°11.999' W; then running 74° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.680' N, and Long. 76°11.719' W; then running 153° True to a point defined by Lat. 39°1.506' N, and Long. 76°11.606' W, then running 245° True to the point of beginning.

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